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Issue:

Community computer based information exchange system.

Discussion:

A community computer based information exchange system
was directed by the PFIAB in 1965 and has been under development
since that time. The principal effort has been on the COINS experi-
ment undertaken by NSA with community participation. Now in a
semi-operational state, the COINS development has been and is
plagued by problems in hardware, software, security, standardization,
data base development, communications and money, among others.

Tasks:

a. To determine intelligence community substantive require-
ments for a computer based information exchange system.

b. If there is a requirement for such a system, to determine
how it should be programmed, funded and managed.